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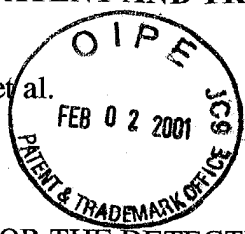
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Pursuant to Applicants' duty of disclosure, the information listed in the attached form PTO-1449 is brought to the attention of the Examiner. The citations included therein were cited in an International Search Report in PCT/DK97/00425. The relevance of the references is indicated in the enclosed copy of the search report. Copies of the information identified herein are also provided.

It is respectfully requested that the information cited in annexed Form PTO-1449 be considered by the Examiner in connection with the above-identified patent application, and that such art be made of record in said application.

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Early and favorable consideration of this case is respectfully submitted.

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